

Sept. 1/80 Mon.

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Dear Vickie and Jimmy,

This is a cold and very wet Labor Day week and Mike loves it as the heat in Wash. D.C. is terrible & look at the London weather report every day and it actually was up in the 70's one day last week.

Dad is watching the tennis match and he asked me to tell you how much he enjoys your wonderful letters Vickie & both thought your letter was great and thanks to both of you.

Mike will be going back to - Maroon (the 2nd) so the next day Dad and I are going to Lake Chelan and other places for two or three days. I haven't heard if Mike for the plan to come for the week end, so I will have to get back home and do a few things around here. I have spent the last two days reading a book - "Captains and the Kings" by Taylor Caldwell.

My cousin Steve was over last week and we looked at the

pictures and post cards. She was able to fill me in on some of the names on the photos.

We use our wok every night for stir-frying vegetables and rice, but will branch out soon and try some of the recipes in the cook-book.

Bensons were over Sat. Night for a Chinese dinner, but I worried about doing the proteins so had a roast instead, plus rice and the stir-fry vegetables and chocolate pie with the ready made frozen pie crust. I have learned a lot of good ideas from your kids.

Ruthie was 40 years old Aug. 30th and the baby is due in two weeks.

The man at the post office said the letters I mailed to you at first without enough postage would be tossed out there because they don't deliver them with postage due.

Mary's girl friend Marty and her 54 year old boyfriend were there for four days, but Mike said everything went along O.K. I hope so.

More later.

Love,

P.S. Are there any soap operas on the television there?

Mom,

Mary received her letter from you in 3 days